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### THREE KIRTLAND UNITS TO PARTICIPATE IN COST COMPARISON STUDIES

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**KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, N.M.** — Three base organizations will participate in A-76 cost comparison studies for the next 18 months.

A-76 studies determine if a particular government agency can perform more efficiently and at a lower cost through internal reorganization or by a private contractor. The results will indicate if the functions will be retained in-house, under a Most Efficient Organization structure, or contracted out. The goal is to determine the most cost effective and efficient means to conduct day-to-day business on Kirtland.

The Kirtland units affected are dormitory management, weather and airfield management. The studies of the three groups affect 25 employee authorizations — four civilian slots and 21 military positions. The three organizations belong to the 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland's host unit.

The studies come as a result of recommendations by the president's Commission on Roles and Missions of the Armed Forces. The Secretary of Defense formed a team to examine Outsourcing and Privatization (O&P). The goal of O&P is to reduce the support infrastructure and increase the Department of Defense's reliance on the private sector. Anticipated savings from this effort will be used to modernize the future work force.

The studies will begin immediately and will take about 18 months to complete. During the course of the study, employees will have an opportunity to provide input.

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